

CANNIBALS EAT TWO EXPLORERS

Capt. Besley Tells Fate of
Cromer Party on Up-
per Amazon.

SAYS HE FOUND BONES

Discovered Ruins of City
That Must Have Ante-
dated Incas.

STUDIES DEADLIEST FLY

He and Three Companions Here
After Long Trip Across
South America.

Capt. J. Campbell Besley of London
arrived at New York yesterday with three
companions fresh from the unexplored
wilds of Peru, Brazil and the upper waters
of the Amazon, where they spent ten
months.

A narrative of the trip through the last
unknown country of the world reads like
a chapter of ancient history. It told
of following the trail of the ill-fated
Cromer-Seljan expedition, and of the
finding of the bones of Seljan and
Patrick O'Higgins, who had been devoured
by cannibals.

They related the discovery of three pre-
Inca cities abandoned 10,000 or 20,000
years ago, but with evidences of mar-
vellous architectural art still intact and
wonderful camp utensils and weapons,
camp being an alloy of gold and
silver. They described the discovery of
a city along the upper reaches of the
Amazon which was guarded by stone
gates weighing thousands of tons, still
standing, where the inhabitants had
banked up the river with stone so that
they could control it, with fortifications
rising tier on tier as modern forts rise,
each communicating with the other by
subterranean passages.

They told of long rides over mountains
2000 feet high with burros, llamas and
asses, marches through jungles, the way
of which had to be cut by machetes, a
fight with bandits, running skirmishes
with Indian tribes using poisoned arrows
and old fashioned flintlock guns, and
finally the finding of a road six feet wide
through the jungle, paved and bordered
with stone, 1,500 miles long, built by pre-
historic races when the world was young,
according to other histories, and at last
the discovery and investigation of a fly
more deadly than the tsetse fly of Africa
the bite of which deposits a parasite which
destroys all skin tissues until death
comes.

Capt. Besley, Franklin B. Coates and J.
K. Holbrook, moving picture men, and J.
E. Burns of London, a botanist, came
here on the Lamport and Holt steamship
from Barbados. They had
reached the British island from Para,
Brazil, and they had arrived at Para after
a journey of more than 3,000 miles down
the Amazon River system from far above
Iquitos in Brazil.

"The Sun's" Crusade Effective.
Between Iquitos and Putumayo further
down the river, Capt. Besley and his
friends made one discovery which he very
gladly communicated to THE SUN. He
said that atrocities in the rubber district
have ended, and that the tortures formerly
inflicted upon the workers in the forest
are no longer allowed. The publication
in THE SUN and the subsequent investi-
gations abroad have brought about a re-
form.

"The investigation of the situation,"
said Capt. Besley, "has resulted in the
appointment of Col. B. Puenta of the
Peruvian army as Governor of the dis-
trict. He is assisted by Bernardo Lores
and they have charge of upper Amazonas.
They have brought about a great reform
throughout the country. I was much im-
pressed by Col. Puenta, a stern discipli-
narian but a humanitarian as well. So
long as he remains they will not exploit
the Indian as they have done."

Capt. Besley and ten companions left
Lima, Peru, in July, 1913, determined to
go through the unexplored country be-
tween Peru, Bolivia and Brazil. He was
an experienced traveler in Africa, the far
North and Tibet, but the men with
him were raw. Their first expedition to
break everybody in was to the Chanchu-
mayo Valley to study the uta fly, which
has its African prototype badly beaten,
according to Capt. Besley. He found Dr.
Townsend of the United States bureau of
medical research already there studying
the little insect and trying to discover a
remedy for his fatal bite.

Specimens of Deadly Fly.

"We went to take photographs of this
fly," said Capt. Besley at the Waldorf-
Astoria yesterday, "and we obtained some
specimens, not only photographs, but
real. This is the most interesting fly in
the world to me. It is very small, black,
and has a long proboscis. It deposits its
eggs with that of its teeth, as nearly as
I could discover. Whenever it bites the
parasites subsequently eat all the flesh.
One of our party was bitten, but prompt
application of antiseptics killed the germs.
I returned from Lima thereafter
because out of Corro de Pasco, Peru, eight
of the eleven Americans in our party were
seized with a fever. Holbrook, Coates and
myself later left Lima for a trip to the
Inca country. We took steamer to Mol-
endo in the Inca country and then went on
to Cuzco, the ancient Inca capital. There-
after we were in a country in which few
if any white men have ever penetrated.
It was when it was built thousands of
years ago. It is thought to be 10,000
years old. We investigated Inca ruins,
saw their marvelous architecture, studied
the hieroglyphics and concluded the Inca
was the ideal specialist. Every man, woman
and child had his task in the community

TO DYNAMITE HUDSON ICE JAM.

Government Will Open River From
Here to Yonkers.

YONKERS, Feb. 17.—In response to
telegraphed requests from Yonkers city
officials and Supt. Louis Spreckels of the
Federal Sugar Refinery Representa-
tive Woodson R. Oglesby at Wash-
ington to-day asked the Federal Gov-
ernment to break the ice jam in the
Hudson River which has practically closed
the river to navigation between here and
New York.

Word was received from him to-night
that the revenue cutter service has been
ordered to open the channel with tugs and
dynamite. This is said to be the first
time the Government ever has taken such
action. According to Mr. Spreckels con-
ditions are the worst in twenty-five years.
Ice piled twenty-five feet high at the inlet
to the Hudson opposite Fort Lee is pre-
venting the big ice floes from going out to
sea.

A few days more of this condition will
mean a coal famine in Yonkers and the
possible closing of the Federal and Na-
tional sugar refineries.

GIRL DOCTORS ON AMBULANCES.
Bellevue Will Have Them Six
Months From Now.

The trustees of Bellevue and Allied
Hospitals voted yesterday to admit to
Bellevue as internes Dr. Helen Palliser
and Dr. Anna Tolmstead, recent gradu-
ates of the Cornell Medical College. It is
the first time that women have been ad-
mitted to the hospital as internes. For
the first six months the young women will
serve in the hospital, after which period
they will ride on ambulances for six
months.

MORGAN ART EXHIBIT DARK FOR 5 MINUTES

Visitors Stand in Amazement
as Lights Go Out—Guards
Strike Matches.

Just as the art lovers, the critics and
the miscellaneous guests of the Metropol-
itan Museum were strolling through the
Morgan exhibit last night every electric
light in the place went out.

Several hundred men and women stood
for five minutes in absolute darkness and
began to think of Mona Lisas and French
detective stories. A score or more of
private watchmen and a staff of officials
rushed for convenient exits and began to
strike matches.

There were choruses of "Whatever is
it?" and "What has happened?" Then
the lights shot up again and every one
saw that everything was in place, the
Fra Lippo Lippis were still in their
frames, the Pragonard panels were just
as gleaming as they were for Louis XIV.
and not a tapestry, porcelain, miniature,
enamel or ivory had been disturbed.

Something got wrong with the dynamo
and Arsene Lupin and Raffles were en-
tirely innocent.

"DE LUXE" BUYER ASKS \$53,490.

Woman Says She Paid High Price
for Alleged Rare Editions.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17.—Charges of
fraud in the sale of so-called rare editions
of the works of Edgar Allan Poe, Thack-
eray, Mark Twain and other authors were
the basis of a suit to recover \$53,490
brought in the United States District
Court to-day by Marion W. Preston of
Boston against George M. Barrie & Sons,
local book publishers; the Anglo-American
Authors Association of New York, John
F. Scanlon and James J. Farmer, indi-
vidually and as trustees of Clara G.
Farmer.

The plaintiff alleges she was induced to
purchase numerous sets of books known
as "editions de luxe" through a fraudu-
lent conspiracy entered into by the de-
fendants and their agents. These books
are said to be showy, but intrinsically of
little value. It is charged, however, that
the defendants prevailed upon persons in-
experienced in book values to enter into
diverse schemes to purchase books of the
"editions de luxe" description and hold
them until they can be delivered to flet-
itious customers at greatly increased
profits.

SULZER'S MINE A BONANZA.

Former Governor's Property Shows
Surprisingly Valuable Ore.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 17.—Up at Sulzer,
Prince of Wales Island, Alaska, the
brother of William Sulzer, former Gov-
ernor, is manager of a gang of men who
have been digging deep after rich cop-
per and gold ore from Sulzer's mine.
Last month shafts were placed from
lowered shafts, revealing values even bet-
ter than expected. These facts came to-
day by the steamship Delhi, which
brought to a Tacoma smelter a thousand
tons of highest grade ore ever shipped.
Value in the mine increased with
depth. Development now accomplished
will permit continuous shipments through-
out the year, with regular dividends.
The mine has produced nearly a million
and a quarter dollars, but not proceeded
back in development. The Guggenheim
smelter here will receive monthly about
two cargoes of Sulzer ore.

COLORED WIGS LONDON VOGUE.
Mrs. George Keppel and Her Guests
Adopt Custom.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, Feb. 17.—The fashion of
women wearing colored wigs was em-
phasized at a dinner given by Mrs.
George Keppel to-night for her daughter's
coming out. Twenty-five of the forty
guests, all of whom are well known mem-
bers of society, wore colored "transforma-
tions," mainly purple, blue, green and
rose.

BENSEL BALKS AT GRAND JURY

State Engineer Refuses to
Waive Immunity in
Graft Hunt.

HIS TESTIMONY NEEDED

Fails to Complete Evidence
Before Indictment
of Two.

GLYNN PUT UNDER FIRE

Hennessy to Help Inquiry Into
Governor's Acts While
Comptroller.

State Engineer John A. Bensef re-
fused yesterday to waive immunity be-
fore going before the Grand Jury here.
This, coming so soon after the suicide
of State Treasurer Kennedy, caused ex-
treme surprise. Mr. Bensef's testimony
was needed to complete the evidence
against persons whom the Grand Jury
intended to indict.

Chairman Sullivan of the Assembly's
graft investigating committee an-
nounced yesterday that an inquiry
would be made into Gov. Glynn's re-
cord as State Comptroller in 1907 and
1908. John A. Hennessy will be asked
to become the committee's chief graft
hunter.

C. Gordon Reel, ex-Superintendent of
Highways, who refused recently to
waive immunity at the Osborne graft
hearing, was accused of having ordered
poor material for the construction of
roads in Westchester and Suffolk.

BENSEL SHUNS GRAND JURY.

State Engineer Refuses to Waive
Immunity in Graft Inquiry.

John A. Bensef, State Engineer, refused
to waive immunity yesterday afternoon
preparatory to going before the Grand
Jury to be questioned in the graft in-
quiry.

The refusal of Mr. Bensef to give test-
imony voluntarily is a temporary obsta-
cle to the Grand Jury investigation of State
highways, barge canal and aqueduct graft.
The waiver which Mr. Bensef refused
to sign was drawn up by District At-
torney Whitman under section 2446 of
the Penal Law, in connection with the graft
inquiry. It says in part:

"I do hereby waive all immunity which
I would otherwise obtain from penalty for
any transaction concerning which I may
testify or produce evidence before Chief
Magistrate William McAdoo in the City
of New York or before the Grand Jury
of the county of New York in that action.

"I do hereby further waive any privilege
which I would otherwise obtain against
the use against me of the testimony so
given or the evidence so produced upon
any criminal prosecution or proceeding."

Mr. Bensef declined to sign the waiver,
though he was assured that he would
be questioned only in regard to acts per-
formed either as a State or a city official.
Mr. Bensef took this oath on becoming
State Engineer:

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I
will support the Constitution of the
United States and the Constitution of the
State of New York, and that I will faith-
fully discharge the duties of the office of
State Engineer according to the best of
my ability."

"Silent Now Gets the Swill."
Mr. Bensef refused to make any com-
ment, but his attorney, Abram Rose, when
questioned, said:

"When I was a boy I used to play with
some German children who had a proverb
that ran, 'The silent now always gets the
swill.' That is my attitude at present."

Mr. Whitman declined to make any
statement except to admit the bare facts
of the case.

The demand of Mr. Bensef for im-
munity puts him in the attitude of balk-
ing for the time being the progress of the
graft hunt.

The Grand Jurors want to question him
on many matters. Mr. Whitman had
promised that no question should be asked
of Mr. Bensef that did not pertain to his
official acts. Mr. Bensef was a member
of the Board of Water Supply, which
let contracts for the aqueduct. He was
also in the State Highways Department
and next became State Engineer.

The facts on which the Grand Jury
wanted to get light related entirely to
those departments. Mr. Bensef, it was
pointed out, in going willingly before the
Grand Jury would have been doing his
duty as an officer of the State.

LINER BRINGS LIFE VOYAGER.

Injured Officer of Wrecked Ver-
nese Can't Sleep Ashore.

Ernest Victor Hugo, who is a relative
of the great French writer, arrived yester-
day by the Lamport & Holt liner Byron
in a steamer chair, unable to move with-
out assistance because of paralysis from
the waist down. His condition is due to
three days and nights exposure on the
bridge of the liner Vernese when it was
wrecked off the Portuguese coast a
year ago. He was chief officer of the
vessel.

After his affliction he found that he
could not sleep ashore, and the line gave
him permission to sail for the rest of
his life on its ships. He is 41 and
expects to be rocked in the cradle of the
deep for a quarter of a century at
least before he is buried at sea, which is
the funeral he prefers. He wears a
medal of the Royal Humane Society for
rescuing thirty-two passengers of the
Vernese. He is a bachelor.

NAVAL OFFICER UNDER INQUIRY.

Lieut.-Commander Huff Forced to
Explain Assault on Kiesecker.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 17.—The result of
an inquiry into the attack on J. P. Kie-
secker, a society leader of Newport News,
by Lieut.-Commander Charles P. Huff
of the battleship Texas to-day by
Capt. A. W. Grant of the Texas.

Huff declares that he did not attack
Kiesecker because the latter danced with
Mrs. Huff at a Valentine ball given in the
Hotel Warwick Saturday night. Kie-
secker says that Huff had no other reason
to attack him. He declares that he would
have been able to have taken care of him-
self had he known that Huff intended to
strike him.

OHIO TAXERS GET ADDING MACHINE FOR JOHN D.

But It Only Has Five Figure
Columns and They Hope to
Collect \$35,000,000.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 17.—Tax Com-
missioners Packard and Agnew sent them-
selves up in their office in the new court
house to-day with an adding machine,
preparing a personal property tax list for
John D. Rockefeller.

"We are tabulating such information
about Rockefeller's personal property as
we have collected so that when we get
his tax return if we do get it, we will be
able to check up on it," said Packard.

"And if he doesn't send in a return
soon, we will have no ready," he added.
A provision in the 1914 tax laws dis-
covered to-day gives the officials the
power to list Rockefeller's \$900,000,000
for each year beginning with 1911 and
make him pay taxes on the entire amount
plus a 50 per cent. penalty for failure to
make a return each year.

The aggregate sum that Rockefeller
could be taxed on then would be over
\$2,000,000,000. The \$900,000,000 would
be multiplied by the tax rate for each
year and the penalty added so that the
total tax which might be assessed against
Rockefeller would be nearly \$25,000,000.
The Tax Commissioners are handicapped
because the adding machine they have
only adds five columns of figures.

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Feb. 17.—John D.
Rockefeller has taken to shovelling snow.
He attacked some of the drifts on his
Pocantico Hills place to-day for exercise
and made quite an impression on them.
Golf has succumbed to the snow. About
a hundred men are working on Mr.
Rockefeller's place to-day shovelling paths
through the grounds.

No word was given out to-day about
Mrs. Rockefeller's condition.

NEVER ILL TILL ALMOST 100.

Joseph Mackin Dies of Pneumonia
in His Century Year.

Joseph Mackin, who died on Monday
at 49 Rush street, Williamsburg, had no
serious illness until he was 99 years and
330 days old. Then he caught cold, pneu-
monia followed and death came four days
later.

A son, John; a daughter, Mrs. Mary
Beyer; six grandchildren and seven great-
grandchildren survive him.

Mr. Mackin was born in Ireland on
March 19, 1814. He came to this country
in 1861 and settled in New York. One
day in 1861 he was attracted by a com-
motion in a building in the Bowery.
He served for four years in the 162d New
York Volunteers. At the battle of Cane
River Crossing he saved the regimental
colors and was promoted to be corporal.
Later for other brave deeds he was made
sergeant.

After the war he started a cork manu-
facturing business at 93½ Front street,
Manhattan.

"\$1,000 EAR" IS STOLEN.

Ear of Corn—14 Inches Long That
J. J. Hill Bought.

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 17.—An ear of corn
from a Minnesota known at exhibitions as
"the \$1,000 ear," one of the attractions
of the National Corn Exposition here, was
stolen last night.

J. J. Fulong, president of the Minnesota
State Fair, in charge of the ear, informed
the police it was taken from a desk in
the lobby of a hotel here.

LLOYD GEORGE LIAR, SAYS LONDON 'TIMES'

Bitter Attack Said to Have Been
Fomented by the
Premier.

DUKES ARE DEFENDED

Newspaper Says Chancellor's
Tirades Are Result of an
Obsession.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Men in high political
circles inside and outside of Parliament
have been talking much in the last two
days of an attack made by the Times
yesterday on Chancellor of the Exchequer
Lloyd George. The attack was so care-
fully and so significantly worded that it
is assumed that its object was to provide
Mr. Lloyd George with either ground for
an action under the common law or for a
breach of parliamentary etiquette.

Among the better informed men the
opinion is that the article was inspired
by a section of the Cabinet including
Premier Asquith, Sir Edward Grey, the
Foreign Secretary, and Lord Haldane, the
High Chancellor. The belief prevails that
these statesmen are embarrassed by Lloyd
George's increasingly wild tirades and are
anxious to curb this habit, which is not
only constantly putting the Government in
an uncomfortable position, but instigating
other less conspicuous members of the
party to follow the Chancellor's example.

For one of the latter Mr. Asquith was
compelled to apologize in the House of
Commons Monday night in a manner
which was humiliating for a Prime Min-
ister and the head of a great political
party.

Attack Is Bitter.
The onslaught of the Times on Lloyd
George includes charges of "political
blackmail" and lying as well as an in-
sultation of mental infirmity. Such
language in the Times is not looked upon
as the mere partisan abuse of less respon-
sible political papers, and it has attracted
attention not only on account of its rare
appearance in the columns of the Times
but because of the status of the premier
journal.

Taking for its text the incident between
the Chancellor and the Duke of Montrose,
whom Lloyd George accused of being "a
flagrant example of landlord greed," the
Times calls attention to the fact that
Lloyd George first misrepresented the
facts concerning the sale of certain land
of which the Duke of Montrose was the
owner and substituted the Duke of Mon-
trose's name for that of the real owner
in another case.

"The only motive for this ostentatiously
differential treatment of two individuals
who acted in precisely the same manner
and followed only the regular legal pro-
cedure is personal malice," says the
Times. "That is the motive which he
has brought into play in promoting the
policy of the Government and the method
employing it is misrepresentation. If
the present case stood alone it might
be dismissed as an unfortunate slip, but it
is only the latest example of Mr. Lloyd
George's regular practice. We do not
know when he first introduced this sort
of political blackmail, but its first con-
spicuous use by him as a responsible
Cabinet Minister was at Limehouse in
1909."

Harassed by Dukes.
The Times then recalls the circum-
stances of the Limehouse address when
Lloyd George exclaimed: "Oh, these
dukes, how they harass us!" Alluding to
other attacks by Lloyd George on Dukes
the Times continues:

"Mr. Lloyd George's horror of those
who happen to occupy this position, for
which they are not responsible, is so fan-
tastical and unreasoning that it amounts
to a fixed idea such as is described by
writers on mental pathology as an obses-
sion. He seems to suffer from the delusion
that they persecute him and he returns
to them again and again with morbid
iteration. He suppresses other names,
but goes out of his way to abuse dukes.
The Dukes of Northumberland, Bedford
and Sutherland and one or two more have
all been held up to public odium in a
similar way with the aid of misrepresenta-
tion."

"When a Cabinet Minister occupying
one of the highest posts under the Crown
systematically cultivates this spirit and
employs these methods to promote the
policy of the Government his colleagues
cannot divest themselves of their responsi-
bility. They must know perfectly well
that it debases public life and discredits
not only themselves but the whole country
in the eyes of foreign observers."

Recalls Premier's Rebuke.
The Times then recalls the fact that
Premier Asquith and Foreign Secretary
Grey in an indirect manner publicly re-
buked Chancellor Lloyd George for his
Limehouse speech. After further com-
ment it concludes:

"The feelings of Dukes are not what
matters most. It is the question of the
whole conduct of public life. Less than
eight months ago the House of Commons
solemnly accepted expressions of regret
from Mr. Lloyd George for a business
transaction from which he sought to ob-
tain an unearned increment in peculiar
circumstances, a transaction which he
had not revealed to the House while lead-
ing it to believe that he had. We hoped
the lesson might do him some good, and
that having felt the lash of calumny, of
which he bitterly complained, he would
not use it too freely himself in future.
We seem to have misjudged his character.
His tongue is still like a sharp razor
working deceitfully."

"We suggest to the Premier that the
continued systematic use of these methods
of promoting the Government's policy does
not comport with the dignity and good
name of his administration or reflect
credit on the cause which they are em-
ployed to promote."

All Deerfoot Farm Managers
are made at the Farm, in Southern, Mass.,
and the nearest and cleanest of the
preparation. Try a 2-pound package. New
York store, 172 Chambers street—4th.

LIVES WITH BRAIN EXPOSED.

Sidney H. Goodacre Undergoes Dar-
ing Operation on the Skull.

Sidney H. Goodacre, City Superintendent
of Markets, is in a serious condition at the
Post-Graduate Hospital, and if his life is
saved it will be because of a delicate and
unusual operation performed upon him
last Saturday at the institution.

Mr. Goodacre was suffering with a form
of necrosis of the frontal bone of the
skull. The affected part was removed by
the operation and since then the patient
has been living with two inches of his
brain exposed. He is kept up by stimu-
lants and has a fighting chance for his
life the doctors say. The greatest danger
now is the development of meningitis.

NEWPORT MANSION ATTACKED.

Three Tradesmen File Claims
Against Mrs. J. S. Bruguere.

NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 17.—Three attach-
ments have been put upon Castlewood,
the summer home here of Mrs. Josephine
Bruguere. The writs were filed at the
City Hall to-day, and they aggregate \$8,200.
The house is taxed for \$55,000 and is
worth considerably more than this amount.

All three attachments have been made
by Newport business men. The C. Tin-
dale Company, butchers and grocers, make
their claim \$5,000; James Brown, a
mason, \$1,500, and Duncan McLean, a
builder, \$700. The writs are returnable
to the Superior Court March 11.

ALL IN RESERVE SYSTEM NOW.

Fifth National and National Park
Complete List of 35 City Banks.

The Fifth National Bank and the Na-
tional Park Bank yesterday signified
their intention to join the Federal re-
serve system. Their action makes thirty-
five national banks, the total number in
the city, which have now signified their
intention to become members of the Fed-
eral reserve.

The thirty-five banks have a combined
capital of \$116,500,000 and a surplus of
\$129,500,000.

BIG CONTRACT FOR PEER'S SON.

The Hon. Angus McDonnell Said to
Be Chosen by Canada.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—The contract for the
great harbor improvements by the Do-
minion Government at Victoria, B. C., in-
volving millions, has, it is reported here,
been awarded to the Hon. Angus Mc-
Donnell, son of the Earl of Antrim. Mr.
McDonnell is a guest of the Duke and
Duchess of Connaught at Government
House. He was married a few weeks ago
at Evanston, Ill., to Miss Arthur Jones,
the daughter of Henry Arthur Jones, the
English playwright.

The award of the contract will be of-
ficially announced to-morrow.

LIFE SENTENCE, THEN DEATH.

Double Murderer Gets Both in the
Missouri Courts.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 17.—James
Schrumm, a life term in the penitentiary
for murder in the first degree, was sen-
tenced to-day by the Supreme Court to be
hanged April 3 for a second murder. The
case is without a parallel in the history of
Missouri.

Schrumm shot and killed Mont Hall and
Jett Gibson in St. Francois county on
June 22, 1912. He was tried first for the
killing of Gibson, was convicted of murder
in the first degree and sentenced for life.